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PCCEO UPDATES

2024/2025 Parent/Caregiver as Partners Virtual Conference

The conference occurred on Saturday, November 16, 2024. A special thank you to all the parents/caregivers who supported the day, over 500...throughout the day, the staff and community who facilitated sessions and the planning committee. A special note of thanks this year to Margaret Horvath within the PCCEO for her work on the conference. If you were unable to attend the conference, you may view the sessions on the [PCCEOs You Tube](#) page.

2024 - 2025 School Council Chair/Co-Chair E-mail Account Update

Effective October 29, 2024, I/T will be rolling out the new Shared (chair/co/vice-chair will share one account) School Council e-mail account. To support the new process the PCCEO in collaboration with the Superintendents Office has been collecting the contact of Council chair/co/vice-chairs from schools. To date we have collected over 218 contacts that will be shared with PIAC members by ward.

Council chair/co/vice-chairs whose contact has been shared by the school to their superintendents will receive an e-mail from SchoolCommunityIT@tdsb.on.ca with their account activation information. Support for activating and usage of the accounts can be accessed at <https://sites.google.com/tdsb.on.ca/schoolcouncil/mainmenu?authuser=0>

Update for PIAC - Draft Fundraising Policy P021

The Fundraising policy reached stage 5, which is the approval stage. The draft Policy was presented to Governance and Policy Committee for approval, where a recommendation was made requesting staff to report back with a report on the system priorities and to look at what options may be available to explore a mandatory contribution by school councils. This then tracked to the March 20, 2024 Regular Board Meeting, where the motion was broadened and referred back to staff:

“It is recommended that the matter be referred to staff on the following:

Be it resolved:

- a) That options for mandatory contributions to the system priorities fund, of over a certain threshold of funds raised, be added to policy P021, Fundraising:
- b) That the Director include information on the following, as part of the annual report to Board on school generated funds:
 - i. schools councils making contributions to the system priorities fund or to other schools;



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- ii. how contributions to the system priorities fund are being simplified and promoted with school councils”.

Staff have prepared options in response to the motion. The report is tracking to the Governance and Policy Committee for January 2025. The agendas have been particularly packed, thus why it has been pushed back to this date.

Any questions pertaining to the current Fundraising Policy can be directed to BusinessDevelopment@tdsb.on.ca.

Community Coaching -Eligibility Criteria for Non-Board Employee Coaches

All new coaches must:

- Must attend a clinic to be eligible to coach and receive the TDESSA Coaching Card
- Attend a Community Coaches’ Meeting
- Obtain a letter of permission to coach a team from the school’s administration
- Be familiar with the TDESAA/TDSSAA athletic policies
- Be familiar with the TDESAA/TDSSAA regulations that govern the sport
- Present their community coaches card at the beginning of each game/event

NOTE: All athletic events, games, and practices, fall within the [TDSB Excursion Policy](#) which requires a teacher to be on site at all times. Therefore, a community coach cannot coach without a teacher/administrator present

Policy/Program Memorandum No.170 – School Board Communication with Parents

The PPM “outline requirements and provide direction to school boards on communication with parents to strengthen service standards and ensure consistent and reliable information is provided and made available to a parent for greater transparency and accountability in the education system across the province”.

To adhere to the PPM TDSB:

- The [Parents/caregivers](#) page has been updated
- [PR 505-Parent Concern Protocol](#) is being reviewed
- Reviewing registration process to explore options for providing parents/caregivers with navigation engagement information



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2024– 2025 School Council Innovation Grant (SCIG) Upcoming Deadlines

The [School Council Innovation Grant](#) (SCIG) upcoming deadlines.

Stages	2024-2025 Application Period
Opens	October 09, 2024
Deadline	Dec 01,2024

Please contact Shadi.MousaviZanjani@tdsb.on.ca for further information or visit the SCIG web page.

System-wide Parent/Caregiver Survey Update

A survey working group composed of staff, PCCEO, PIAC, and parents/caregivers has been established to support the development of the survey and provide guidance as to strategies for ensuring maximum completion. The committee will reconvene in late November 2024.

PCCEO School Council Roundtable

A call will be made again in November 2024 to expand the PCCEO SC Roundtable.

The Ministry of Education Parent/Caregiver Updated Web Page

Please visit the new and revised [parent/caregiver page](#) for moving through the school system, information on what your child is learning, supporting learning at home, and much more.

INFORMATION SHARING

Parent/Caregiver Workshops and Information

To learn about happenings for parents/caregivers visit the TDSBs Parent/Caregiver Engagement Worker Hub at <https://sites.google.com/tdsb.on.ca/csws/home>

Renewed Learning Centre and Family of School Model

To support our achievement of the 2024-2028 Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP), the system organization, Learning Centre, and new Family of Schools configuration have been



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implemented for the 2024-2025 school year. For information on the new model visit
<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Director-of-Education/Learning-Centre-Model>

TDB System Calendar

Want to know what activities/events are taking place on the board? Visit the system calendar at <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/School-Year-Calendar>

TDSB Connects

TDSB Connects is a monthly electronic newsletter for parents/guardians with information about news and events from across the Toronto District School Board. If you are a parent/guardian who doesn't currently receive TDSB Connects, please contact your local school to ensure your email address is up to date in your child's student contact record. To sign up visit <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Media/News/Newsletters/TDSB-Connects/Sep-27-2021>

TDSB Parent/Caregiver Literacy Site: <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/EarlyYears/Family-and-Caregivers>

TDSB Early Instruction Guide:

https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Portals/0/EarlyYears/docs/TDSBEarlyReadingInstruction_Family_CaregiverGuide_Final.pdf

TDSB French Resources for Parents/Caregivers of Students in French Programs

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Elementary-School/School-Choices/French-Programs/Supporting-Students-at-Home>

TDSB Math Program-Supports for Parents/Caregivers: bit.ly/tdsbmathforfamilies